CHAPTER 11.

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AN ACT in relation to records and documentary evidence.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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ceivers of U. s. office of the United States, of the entry or purchase of record of same any lands within this state together with any lands within this state, together with any assignment thereof indorsed thereon, may be recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county within which the said land may be situated, in the books used therein for recording deeds; and a certified copy of the record, as well as a certified copy of any record of a certificate and an assignment thereof which have been heretofore recorded in any office of the register of deeds wherein the lands were situated at the time of such recording, shall have the same force and effect as evidence in all courts, as the original receipt or assignment.

Records of mutilated town, village and city plats.

Section 2. In all cases where the record of any town, village or city plot shall become or shall have become mutilated, it shall be the duty of the register of deeds in whose office the same shall be, to make a copy thereof, or of so much as shall remain thereof, in a book to be provided by him at the expense of his county; and he shall affix thereto a certificate signed by him, stating that the same is a true copy of the original record, or so much thereof as remains in his office. Whenever any such copy shall be made, and whenever, before the passage of this act, any register of deeds shall have made copies of any such recorded plots, and shall have certified them to be copies, and the originals shall have become mutilated, such copy, or a certified copy thereof, shall be received in all courts and places as evidence of the matters contained in and upon them, with like effect as the original record.

To be received in evidence.

> Section 3. This act shall be published immediately, and shall be in force from and after its publication. Approved February 20, 1867.